CHAPTER 1045

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT ORGANIZATION EMPLOYEES — POLITICAL ACTIVITIES $H.F.\ 2353$

AN ACT removing prohibitions on emergency management organization employees from holding elective office.

Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

Section 1. Section 29C.16, Code 2016, is amended to read as follows:

29C.16 Political activity prohibited.

- 1. A person employed by any organization for emergency management established under this chapter shall not:
- a. 1. During working hours or when performing official duties or when using public equipment or at any time on public property, take part in any way in soliciting any contribution for any political party or any person seeking political office. The provisions of this section do not preclude any employee from holding any nonpartisan elective office for which no pay is received or any office for which only token pay is received.
- b. 2. Seek or attempt to use any political endorsement in connection with any appointment to a position created under this chapter.
- e. 3. Use any official authority or influence for the purpose of interfering with an election or affecting the results thereof of an election.
- 2. Any employee of an organization for emergency management shall not become a candidate for any partisan elective office.

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